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CLAYTON CENTURY FOUNDATION

A Quarterly Newsletter for Friends and Supporters of the Clayton Century Foundation

UPCOMING EVENTS

CCF History Trivia Night

Saturday, March 3, 2012
St. Joseph's Parish Hall
106 N. Meramec in Clayton
7:00 p.m.

Don't miss out on CCF History's ***Countdown to the Centennial*** Trivia Night! It will be a fun night filled with a great selection of general history questions and one section devoted to Clayton history.

Refreshments and light snacks will be provided. Be one of the lucky few to win raffle and attendance prizes! Space is limited. [Click here](#) to view the event and registration flyer.

CCF History Lecture Series

Wednesday, March 21, 2012
Center of Clayton
7:00 p.m.

Chief of Police, Tom Byrne, will be presenting "Clayton's Changing Landscape."



Click the icon above to view updates on CCF and Clayton Parks & Recreation Capital Projects.

CCF has over 360 individual donors. Help us reach our goal of achieving 2,013 donors by the year of Clayton's Centennial: 2013.

Your donation of any amount helps us to enhance our community and demonstrates a groundswell of support.

We thank you very much.

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Clayton Century Foundation – TOP NEWS STORY

Centene Charitable Foundation Pledges \$400,000 for New Public Art Sculpture for Century Garden

The CCF is pleased to announce that Centene Charitable Foundation has pledged \$400,000 to fund the commissioned sculpture piece for Shaw Park's Century Garden. Centene Charitable Foundation is the philanthropic arm of Centene Corporation, a national leader in healthcare services.

The Century Garden, located between the ice rink and the swimming pool in Shaw Park, is an important gateway to the City's premier park. The Clayton Century Foundation, in conjunction with the City of Clayton, will use the gift to fund the creation and installation of a permanent sculpture. The public sculpture is expected to be installed in the spring of 2013 to celebrate the City's Centennial.

WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

J.J. Flotken, Robert Paster and Cheryl Verde Appointed to CCF Board of Directors

The CCF appointed new members to its Board of Directors at their meeting on January 25, 2012. Read below for a brief biography of each new member!

J.J. Flotken is the Chair of the CCF Annual Fund Committee. J.J. serves on Clayton's Ecology and Environmental Awareness Committee and is a graduate of the Clayton Chamber of Commerce Leadership Clayton Class. J.J. lives in Clayton Gardens with his wife, Angela, and their two daughters Taylor (4) and Morgan (2).

Robert Paster has been elected as the new Vice President of CCF History. Bob is a longtime Clayton resident. As a graduate of Clayton High School, he remains active in the School District. Bob and his wife, Patty, live on Audubon in the Moorlands neighborhood.

Cheryl Verde is active in the Clayton community, serving as President of the Old Town Neighborhood Association. Cheryl has devoted countless hours to the preservation of Clayton history through digitally archiving historic photos and artifacts and maintaining the CCF History website. Currently, she is planning a special exhibit of Clayton memorabilia. Cheryl and her husband, Nick, live on North Meramec in the Old Town Neighborhood.

CELEBRATE CLAYTON'S CENTENNIAL 2013

Celebrate Clayton's Centennial with the CCF

The Centennial Celebration Planning meeting, organized by Judy Goodman and Elizabeth Robb, was a huge success! KMOX personality and Clayton's own, Charlie Brennan, hosted that evening with over 40 attendees. Many great ideas for the Centennial Celebration were discussed including contests, activities and community events. A centennial emblem is also in the works to mark this special milestone in Clayton's history. Stay tuned for details about all these future events!

NEWS: ARTS

ARTIST JAMES SURLS'S SCULPTURE SELECTED FOR CENTURY GARDEN

The CCF Arts Selection Panel, including representatives from the Saint Louis Art Museum, Laumeier Sculpture Park as well as the City of Clayton's Parks and Recreation Department and Board of



Aldermen, selected four finalists from a pool of national and international artists to visit Clayton and present a final proposal for the site. The panel, with the assistance of Via Partnership, selected internationally recognized artist, James Surls, for his proposed sculpture, *Molecular Bloom with Single Flower*.

Shown above, the sculpture will be placed on top of a plinth, towering over 25 feet above the garden. The organic molecular nodes, flower and vase will be made of steel and bronze.

James Surls has been featured in the collections of many major museums including the Modern Museum of Art - New York, NY, the Nelson-Atkins Museum - Kansas City, MO, and the Whitney Museum of American Art - New York, NY. To find out more about James Surls visit <http://www.jamessurls.com/>.